Providing cooked midday meal to boost the efforts towards "universalisation of primary education" by increasing enrolment, retention and attendance and simultaneously impacting on the nutrition of students in primary classes.

UGC regulations

3286. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission has initiated steps to examine the proper implementation of the UGC regulation framed for establishment and maintenance of standards in the private universities;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of inspections done during the last two years, State-wise, category-wise and year-wise and the action taken or to be taken based on the above inspections; and

(c) the number of private universities for the three years, State-wise, category-wise and year-wise and as on date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) The incorporation, regulation and winding up of Universities is within the competence of the State Legislatures. However, in order to maintain standards of higher education the UGC (Establishment of and Maintenance of Standards in Private Universities)

Regulations, 2003 were issued on 27th December, 2003 and are in force. These Regulations apply to every private university established by or incorporated under a State Act, before or after the commencement of these regulations and also apply to all the degrees/diplomas/certificates offered by such universities.

The UGC has reported that they had constituted 11 inspection committees to see whether the private universities are following the norms/ regulations of the UGC and had undertaken the inspections of 114 private universities in the following States during the last two years, as per details given below:—

Sl. No.	State	No. of Private Universities inspected	No of Private Universities included in the list under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956 by the UGC
1.	Chhattisgarh	105	Ceased to exist as per the Order dated 11 2 2005 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Writ Petition (Civil) No 19 of 2004
2	Gujarat	2	2
3	Himachal Pradesh	1	1
4	Uttar Pradesh	2	2
5.	Uttaranchal	4	2
	TOTAL	114	7

Unregistered computer training centres

3287. SHRIMATI HEMA MALINI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a large number of unregistered computer training centres are functioning without proper facilities to impart training;

(b) the number of such centres functioning in the capital;

(c) whether Government are also aware that some of such training centres have been closed down without completing courses after collecting huge amount from students;

(d) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(e) whether any punitive steps are being considered against those who are running such training centres?